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BRUSSELS EXPO

Scope and definition



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The Global Exhibition Market – KPI's



Source: jwc data base, jwc research

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Brussels leads in available indoor exhibition space in Belgium



A closer look at the biggest venues in Belgium

	Brussels Expo Heysel area, Brussels	Flanders Expo Ghent, Flanders	Kortrijk Xpo Kortrijk, Flanders	Antwerp Expo Antwerp, Flanders
Total space	115,000 m ²	52,000 m ²	40,000 m ²	22,100 m ²
# halls	12	8	8 4	
# meeting rooms*	5	6	7	7
Total PAX	2,500 + 10,000 (Halls)	2,410	1,000	1,290 + 7,850 (Halls)
Largest room PAX	10,000 (Palais 12)	500 (Flex XL)	550 (XXL)	3,750 (Hall 3)
Opened in	1935	1987	1967 (extended in 2005 & 2009)	1989
Major shows (2017)	 Batibouw (Construction) Net space: 70,000 m² Brussels Furniture Fair Net space: 45,000 m² 	 BIS (Construction) Net space: 22,017 m² Horeca Expo Net space: 26,918 m² 	 Matexpo (Machines) Net space: 20,693 m² Velofollies (Cycling) Net space: 16,945 m² 	 Bouw & Reno Net space: 9,789 m² Transport & Logistics Net space: 8,032 m²

Source: jwc research, UFI Eurofairs 2017. *Note: Meeting rooms are defined as rooms which are not used for exhibition purposes, including auditoriums or ballrooms

The Belgian Exhibition Market – many b2c shows



Top 3 b2c or mixed b2b & b2c exhibitions in Belgium, 2017

Event	City	Net rented m ²	Visitors	
Batibouw	Brussels	57,500 m²	297,327	
Agribex	Brussels	30,914 m²	101,270	
Bis	Ghent	22,017 m²	60,000	
Top 3 b2b exhibitions* in Belgium, 2017				
Event	City	Net rented m ²	Visitors	
			Visitors 27,891	
Event	City	Net rented m ²		
Event Seafood Expo	City Brussels	Net rented m ² 37,679 m ²	27,891	

Source: : jwc data base, jwc research, jwc estimates UFI EuroFairs 2017. *Note: Unaudited data - For shows in Brussels, net rented m² estimated by multiplying gross rented m² by an assumed utilization rate of 50%

Brussels by far the most significant city



rate of 50%

The majority of b2b exhibitions are domestic



Source: : jwc data base, jwc research, jwc estimates UFI EuroFairs 2012-2017, AUMA.

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Belgium has become a bigger player in the congress market over the last 10 years





Source: : jwc data base, jwc research, Company reports, company presentations, jwc estimates UIA, ICCA Statistics 2018

Belgium ranks 15th for number of meetings in 2018, 12 countries out of the TOP 20 are European





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Medicine is the most frequent sector in Belgium, the sector distribution is in line with the global one





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There have been very little congresses with more than 1,000 participants over the past 10 years in Belgium



2014

2015

2016

2017

2018

Source: : jwc data base, jwc research, Company reports, company presentations, jwc estimates UIA, ICCA Statistics 2018

2011

2012

2013

100%

90%

80%

70%

60%

50%

40%

30%

20%

10%

0%

2009

2010

Venue infrastructure in Belgium: Overview



Source: Visit Brussels, jwc research

Notes: 1) Hasselt Expo excluding Ethias Arena 2) Tours and Taxis total PAX 13,000 according to website

Infrastructure in Belgium: Most important purpose-built conference centers

	Square Brussels CC Central district, Brussels	Ghent ICC Ghent, Flanders	Flanders MCC Antwerp, Flanders	
Exhibition space	6,400 m ²	5,300 m²	No exhibition space	
# of halls	5	3 (ground level of building)	0	
# of meeting rooms*	29 (25 studios + 4 auditoriums)	22	26	
Total PAX	2,520	1,850	2,700	
Largest room PAX	1,200 (Gold Hall Auditorium)	975 (Auditorium)	2,000 (Queen Elisabeth room)	
Opened in	2009	1972	2009	
Major congresses	 Photovoltaic Solar Energy CE (2,000 ppl) Slas Europe (1,000 ppl) GS1 Global Forum (836 ppl) 	 EAAP (Animal Science) EVEC (Veterinary) UIPAC (Crop protection) 	 European Lotteries (900 ppl) European Brewery Convention (500 ppl) Associations World Congress (500 ppl) 	

Source: jwc research, cvent. *Note: Meeting rooms are defined as rooms which are not used for exhibition purposes, including auditoriums or ballrooms

The number of congresses hold in Brussels dropped in 2016, likely due to the terrorist attacks and following loss of reputation





Source: : jwc data base, jwc research, Company reports, company presentations, jwc estimates UIA, ICCA Statistics 2018

Brussels ranks 17th for number of meetings, 8 of the TOP 20 cities are in a radius of 1,000 km from Brussels





Source: : jwc data base, jwc research, Company reports, company presentations, jwc estimates UIA, ICCA Statistics 2018



Source: jwc research, Visit Brussels. Note: Other venues excludes theatres, concert halls and sports venues

UIA statistics: Congress venues in Brussels



UIA events in Brussels by venues – events with >500 participants, 2018



Source: UIA statistics 2018. Notes: 1) Number of events with venue information in UIA database 2) Other include sports, theatre, institutional (non-EU), historical and miscellaneous venues. 3) EU includes representations of foreign countries to EU (embassies) 4) Number of events with information about venue and number of participants in UIA database



Situation of industry operations in 2021 and current predictions for the 1st half of 2022

RE-OPENING



Most important business issues in the exhibition industry

Format of exhibitions in the coming years

Yes, for sure Most probably Not sure Not sure at all Definitely not

Covid-19 confirms the value of face to face events - sector bounces back quickly	28	%	399	6	25%	6% 3%
Less international "physical" exhibitions, and overall less participants	14%		47%		25%	8% 6%
A push towards "hybrid" events, more digital elements at events		38%		42%		12% <mark>5%</mark> 3%
"Virtual" events replacing "physical" events	<mark>3%</mark> 7%	17%	21%		53%	

What do you believe would most help the "bounce back" of exhibitions?

2022 @ Brussels Expo

2022 : 8.882.700 SQM DAY 2018 : 11.427.366 SQM DAY

77%

Readiness of exhibiting companies and visitors to participate again	64%		
Lift of current travel restrictions	63%		
Lift of current public policies that apply locally to exhibitions	52%		
Mid-term visibility in terms of public policies, including travel restrictions	46%		
Financial incentive packages leading to reduced costs for the exhibitors	41%		
Relevant hygiene measures	41%		

LARGE INVESTMENT IN 2023?





Level floor hall 5



Level front plaza

